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1. Request for Continued Examination Transmittal (one page);
2. Response to 6/14/05 Final office action (5 pages);

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Michael Joseph Gardner

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For: System and Method for Connecting a Call in a Tandem Architecture

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**Response to Office Action**

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In response to an Office action dated June 14, 2005, please enter the following amendment and consider the following remarks. An RCE is enclosed.